CDS Plans and challenges

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Continuation of core work of building CDS content and operating services

Immediate topics:

- Managing with the current continuing uncertainty.
- Return to the ObAS site when we can...
- Continue to adapt the way of working the experience of the 2nd confinement is different to the first...
- Recognise all the efforts !!
- Plan for a return to a changed "normal" in 2021 with different rhythms.
 - Tele-working (up to 2 days for various roles).
 - Benefit from our investments in videoconferencing etc.
 - Appreciate how precious the in-person interactions are for our work
 - Expect a global changed approach to travel / missions

Continuation of core work of building CDS content and operating services

- CDS service/ingestion improvements address the evolution of the Dictionary of Nomenclature
- Continue to improve DJIN
- Support the bibliographic team longer term planning made possible by consolidation of Documentalist and CDI Engineer positions. - High priority on support of Documentalist work



CDS infrastructure

- First moves into the UNISTRA data centre
- Make use of large Virtual Machine servers for planned duplications in UNISTRA data centre - learn from gradual transition
- Continue investments in hardware servers (well supported)
 - Plan for major upgrades well in advance
- Continue program of workstation improvements
 - (laptops / desktops / monitors as necessary)
 - also for mobile / multi-media to preparing video tutorials, and for virtual conferences - e.g AAS 2021 !!

Disaster Recovery Plan:

Assess: What did we learn?









- CDS Service Developments. (From yesterday's presentations)
 - Progress on the new X-Match prototype
 - Progress on New Sesame
 - Aladin Lite v3.
 - SIMBAD Web interface / APIs
 - SIMBAD infrastructure to synchronise clients
 - SIMBAD object types
 - Gain experience with the dashboard monitoring
 - VizieR dealing with even larger data sets
 - More python support



- Interactions with Journals: A&A, AAS, MNRAS
 - Following excellent A&A meeting in 2020
 - LISA conference hopefully in-person meetings
 - AAS regular interaction with AAS publishing
 - Topic : Data Management Plans (DMP) and need for certified repositories
- Interactions at national level CNRS-INSU, networks etc.
- Publication: CDS papers
 - ADASS papers, LISA papers
 - Follow-on papers highlighting innovations
 - Reference paper for SIMBAD a priority!



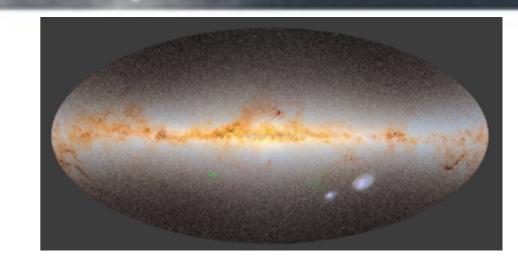
Specific topics for Users:

- Advertise VizieR 'Make your data Visible'
- Advertise 'Your article at CDS'
- Textual search in VizieR
- The VizieR author submission interface
- The use of VizieR DOIs
- HIPS2FITS and hipsgen
- Aladin Desktop manual aiming for early 2021
- Local at ObAS activities targeted for the many new postdocs - Advanced use of CDS tools, feedback etc.
- Virtual Observatory Schools ESCAPE, (possibly others)





Important data sets in 2020-2021



- ESA GAIA EDR3 Thursday!
 - Like for DR2: Gaia@CDS: VizieR, TAPVizieR, X-Match, Aladin
 - and in 2021 SIMBAD
- Pan-STARRS DR2 *
- SDSS DR16 *
- ESO Public surveys continue dedicated effort for catalogues and HiPS data sets
- GPS1 + (Extended Gaia-PS1-SDSS proper motion catalog)
- others...





Selected Events:

- AAS meeting virtual CDS booth 11-15 Jan 2021
- IVOA 5 day meeting virtual May 2020
- LISA conference June 2021
- EAS European Astronomical Society 28 June 02 July 2021
 - CDS booth (if possible)
 - Special session: "Legacy and stewardship of astronomical archives towards multi-instrument, multi-wavelength and multi-messenger science".
 - CDS and ESCAPE related presentations to be proposed
- ADASS/IVOA planned for Cape Town (Oct/Nov 2021)



Policy Landscape changes

- Follow all the relevant Open Science and astrophysics developments as necessary
- Update of National Infrastructure Roadmap
 - Expect application procedures to start early 2021
- Preparation of CDS Strategic Plan for 2021/22
 - For the HCERES exercise next period 2023-2027
 - Input / expertise of all CDS staff needed!
 - As part of the ObAS response

Important to be taken into account as a Scientific Research
Infrastructure!!



CDS Strategy

- Constantly evolving based on scientific needs
- In 2020 focused on responding to immediate issues
- Main strategy for core services is well established:
 - Pursue the CDS mission at the highest possible level
 - Science-driven Data Centre for "reference" data
 - Spirit of Open Science, and application of FAIR principles

Themes

- i) Reinforcement of core mission trusted reference data centre
- ii) Enabling science with the CDS services supporting specific scientific projects, direct support of astronomers, and development of the CDS science team
- iii) Engagement with the astronomy community
- iv) Adaptation and innovation responding to science needs and increasing volume
- v) Building on success of CDS by maintaining specialised staff profiles & teamwork
- Strategy / plan to be prepared for HCERES exercise 2021/22 for 2023-27 period

Virtual Observatory



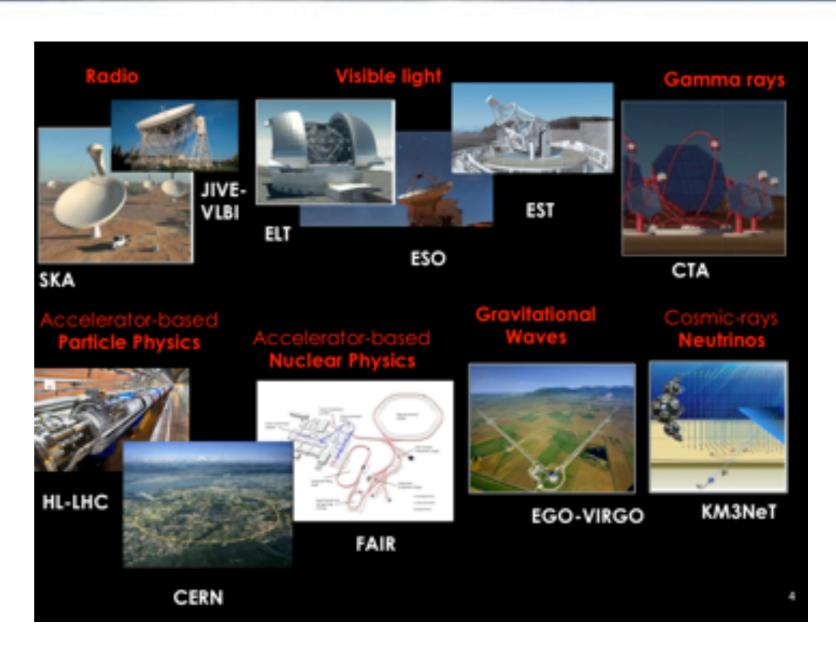
- Leadership roles at IVOA
 - Exec, Time Domain IG, DCP, Radio Astronomy
- Expect IVOA activity on science analysis platforms
- ESCAPE work in IVOA
- HiPS/MOC, Time Domain, Registry, Provenance, Data Models, Applications
- Continue to play active role in OV-France and ASOV
- Advocate for Euro-VO and EOSC consideration in the next ASTRONET Roadmap





□ Astronomy (+) and EOSC





- Connecting the Astronomy / Astroparticle / Accelerator Particle Physics ESFRI and there Research Infrastructures to EOSC
- H2020 project: 2019 2023
- CDS leads the Work Package on connection to the VO



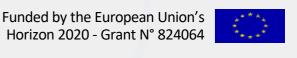
ESCAPE 5. Next Steps for WP4

Mapped out by the Work Plan (D4.1)

- To be adjusted based on progress and evolutions
- Involvement with Test Science Cases (more interaction across WPs)

Important focus on training events in 2021

- ...following covid-19 delays that delayed events
- 1st School on Science with Interoperable Data
 - On-line February 8-12, 2021
- Hands-on workshop for data providers
 - On-line June 2021
- 2nd School on Science with Interoperable Data
 - December 2021 (or request to make later with revised project schedule)



Projects

- **Europlanet 2024** Research Infrastructure (EPN-2024-RI)
 - Small but important CDS participation (~20PM)
- XMM2ATHENA (starting 2021)
 - A. Nebot science, local coordination by ObAS GALHECOS team
 - ~5PM participation of CDS related to X-matching
- EOSC Future large (~40 M€) project of science and e-Infrastructures
 - Passed 1st step of approval, result hopefully known soon
- CDS is small part (20 PM) for Test Science Cases and training activities





Challenges

Identifying the perimeter of what data to make FAIR

(Reality is — not all data can be made FAIR)

- DMPs are here
- VizieR associated data service strategic development
 - Fits perfectly the definitions for certified repository as required by DMPs
 - Resource limited !!
 - Possible opportunities with National Fund for Open Science
 - EOSC-Future project may enable visibility of training to astronomers on how to make their data FAIR



Challenges

What is the "reference data" from future large missions/ surveys that should be made available at CDS?

e.g. Rubin/LSST

- CDS has pursued approach of "preparing for era of LSST / SKA etc."
 - LSST@Europe meetings
 - LSST co-authorship with CDS on IVOA standards
 - LSST plans for use of HiPS/MOC
- Proprietary Data rights problematic for CDS Open Science approach.
- Rough analysis 32 billion source (classic) catalogue in ~2025 (public phase) is feasible. But we can be much more ambitious...
- Brokers Open Data :-) CDS collaboration on FINK broker for use of CDS X-Match



Challenges

Staffing

- Senior CNRS researcher transition to Emeritus in 2020
 - Permanent Researcher FTE (~4.75 now, < 4 in 2021 !!)
 - Targeting CNAP and CNRS recruitments
- Research Engineer retirement 2024 !!
- Bibliography and Documentalist Research engineer retirements 2028, 2029
- Documentalists increased load to be addressed with contractors in 2021 following +1 recruitment in 2020
- Excellent contract Research Engineer reaching contract end in 2021!!



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